

Inman Police Chief charged with sex crimes against children

Attorney General Steve Six announced today that Michael Leland Akins, Jr., 38, was charged yesterday in McPherson County with 16 counts sex crimes and two counts battery for abusing three females and one male under the age of 14. The crimes occurred between December 2008 and December 2009.

Akins was arrested yesterday evening and is being held in the McPherson County jail. Bond was set at \$250,000.

Akins was charged with one count Rape (off-grid person felony, Jessica's Law, Life without parole for 25 years), 14 counts Aggravated Indecent Liberties with a Child (ranging from off-grid to level 4 person felony), one count Indecent Solicitation with a Child (level 6 person felony, 17-46 months), two counts Battery (class B person misdemeanor, up to 6 months in jail), and one count Lewd and Lascivious Behavior (level 9 person felony, 5-17 months).

First appearance was this morning in McPherson County District Court.

These are only allegations and Akins should be considered innocent until proven guilty in a court of law.

